

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4519
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2002
JOINT STUDY GROUP OF INDIA AND SINGAPORE
RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement has been signed for setting up of joint study group for India-Singapore comprehensive economic cooperation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) The Prime Ministers of India and Singapore, during the Indian Prime Minister's visit to Singapore in April, 2002, decided to set up a Joint Study Group (JSG) to study the scope, content and structure of a bilateral Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA). The JSG is headed, on the Indian side, by Dr. Rakesh Mohan, Deputy Governor, RBI, and is to submit its report to the two Prime Ministers within one year.